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SUBJECT: HUSSEIN AND WEST BANK

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1. ARAB PRESS HAS REPORTED THAT TWO PROMINENT WEST BANKERS RETURNED FROM AMMAN WITH STORY THAT KING WAS CONSIDERING ABANDONING CLAIM TO WEST BANK. ONE STORY HAD IT HE WAS SENDING WORD TO OTHER ARAB CAPITALS THAT HE HAD DECIDED TO ABANDON IT. CLOSE WEST BANK ACQUAINTANCE STATES HE HAS TALKED TO WEST BANKERS IN QUESTION AND THAT THEY HAD OBTAINED IMPRESSION OF KING'S INTENTIONS FROM TALHOUNI AND SHARIFF NASSIR. THEY HAD FURTHER IMPRESSION FROM THESE CONVERSATIONS THAT REASONS FOR KING'S APPARENT DECISION WERE: (1) GROWING PRESSURE FROM EAST BANK JORDANIANS TO DISSOCIATE FROM PALESTINIANS; (2) KING'S BELIEF THAT PALESTINIANS WOULD ULTIMATELY BE UNABLE TO PULL THEMSELVES TOGETHER TO PURSUE THEIR OWN CAUSE AND WOULD TURN TO HIM. OUR ACQUAINTANCE AGREED THAT PALESTINIANS MIGHT WELL NOT SUCCEED IN PICKING UP THEIR OWN
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REINS, BUT SAID THEY WOULD NEVER TURN TO HUSSEIN.

2. COMMENT: KING'S USE OF THIS PLOY AS TACTICAL DEVICE WAS
ALSO MENTIONED BY VERED (REFTEL) ALTHOUGH SHE SAW DIFFERENT
AND PERHAPS MORE REALISTIC BASIS FOR IT.
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